

REMARKS

Applicants cancel claims 16-22, 27-29, and 31-34. Claims 1-15 have previously been canceled. Claims 23-26 and 30 remain pending in the application.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 23-26 and 30.

Claims 16-22, 27-29 and 31-34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,751,720 to Uematsu et al. Applicants cancel the rejected claims.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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